

## J. R. RACE & CO.,

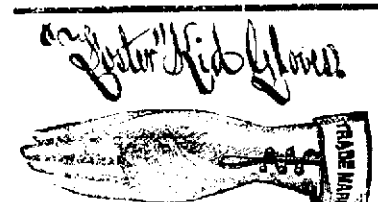
### HEADQUARTERS FOR

## HOLIDAY GOODS!

Consisting of a New Line of Neckwear, of the most Fancy Designs and Leading Styles, such as the

**CLARENDON SCARF,**  
**LEANDER SCARF,**  
**DONIZETTI SCARF,**  
AND ALL THE LATEST NOVELTIES IN  
**SCARF PINS, SCARF RINGS, CUFF BUTTONS**  
Fancy Shirts, Collars, Cuffs, Mufflers, Hosiery, Gloves, &c.,  
AND AN ENDLESS VARIETY OF  
**SILK HANDKERCHIEFS,**  
WITH ALL THE

**LATEST NOVELTIES IN STIFF HATS,**



**PATENTED JUNE 13, 1876.**  
This Hat has been sold during the past season. All who have worn them have given it the name of "FIDELITY".  
It is a perfect hat, combining the old and the new, and is the most perfect hat ever made.  
It is made of the finest material, and is the most perfect hat ever made.  
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**J. R. RACE & CO.**  
December 11, 1879. d&wtf.



**UNDERTAKERS**  
Metallic Burial Cases and Caskets.  
Southwest Corner 1d Square,  
DECATUR, ILL.  
Residence, No. 14 West William Street,  
June 4, 1879.

**MYER & SON,**  
HOUSE AND SIGN  
**PAINTERS!**  
Decorating, Graining, Gilding, Fresco  
ing and Tinting.  
Shop, North Side of the City Park, over  
East Market, Decatur, Illinois.  
March 20, d&wtf.

**CONSTITUTION WATER**  
DROPS OF  
**40 CONSTITUTION WATER**  
THREE TIMES A DAY.  
CHIES BRIGHT'S DISEASE, INFLAMMA-  
TION OF THE KIDNEYS, STONE IN  
THE BLADDER, CATARRH OF THE  
BLADDER, GLEET, DIABETES, GRAVEL,  
URIC ACID, DEPOSIT, CHILDHOOD  
WEAKNESS.  
For Female Complaints a Specialty.  
For sale by all Druggists. Send for Circular.  
WOLFE & ALLEN, 55 John Street, New York.  
Nov. 27, d&wtf.

**THE BEST BARGAINS**  
Ever offered in the State in  
**Musical Instruments,**  
**STRINGS.**  
And all kinds of  
**Musical Merchandise.**  
Have about FORTY VIOLINS, of Sterner,  
Hof and other celebrated makers, at from  
\$5.00 to \$20.00 old price \$20.00 to \$50.00. These  
are fine goods, and are warranted. Will let  
them on trial to any responsible party.  
Also a large lot of ACCORDIONS, GUIT-  
TARS, BANJOS, and other instruments that I  
wish to close out.  
**H. POST**  
SOUTH SIDE OLD SQUARE  
Nov. 10, d&wtf.

**PHYSICIAN.**  
of Women a Specialty.  
10 Water Street, opposite  
the Court House, Decatur,  
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### HIS POLICY.

While one of the sanitary police was moving through the alleys of Cass avenue the other day, says the Detroit Free Press, he came upon two bad nuisances at once. One family had thrown a great heap of garbage over the fence, and the other had dumped over an old mattress and two or three dead cats. The citizen living between the two heaps came out to the fence holding his nose, and the officer asked: "How long have these nuisances existed?" "Oh, about a month," was the reply. "And you haven't lodged a complaint at the City Hall?" "No." "Why, this horrible stench must float into your house?" "Yes, so it does; but I wasn't fixed to say anything. The man over here lends me his lawn mower twice a week, and my wife borrows most of our tea and coffee of the other one. I kinder figured on it, and concluded not to raise a row unless the mower got too dull or the brand of coffee run down."

### FAIRLAND FESTIVAL.

### CHRISTMAS TREES.

To the Temperance People of Macon County: The temperance people of Decatur propose to have a Fair and Festival at the tabernacle, commencing on the 24th of December, and to continue several days; the proceeds to be used in paying the debt on the tabernacle. The object is a good one, and it is hoped that all people interested in the advancement of so noble a cause as temperance; to the lifting up of the fallen and pointing out a better life and a more noble manhood, in removing from our midst the dens of infamy and vice which have grown and fattened on the hard earnings of the unfortunate, and filled our prisons, workhouses and paupers' homes; in helping to bring about that better day when drunkenness, crime and all attendant evils following the indiscriminate sale of intoxicating liquors, will respond to this call to the extent of their ability. The farmers of Macon county are requested to assist in the way of provisions. Roasted pigs, turkeys and chickens, fresh eggs, butter and milk, cabbage, and in fact anything good to eat, will be thankfully received. Those wishing to donate articles will please bring their contributions to the tabernacle on the 24th, 25th or 26th. Committees have been appointed to canvass the city for articles of food, fancy work, etc., and it is hoped that all our good people will consider it a duty to assist in this cause as much as possible. All who can do so will please bring their contributions to the tabernacle. There will be two large Christmas trees at the tabernacle on Christmas eve—one for the Cold Water Army, and the other for the general public. All who wish to make Christmas presents to their relatives or friends are requested to bring them in time to have them placed on the trees before the night of the 24th. The following named gentlemen are requested to solicit donations in their respective neighborhoods, and to do what they can to make this fair and festival a success: Mt. Zion—S. Mahannah, Jas. Durning, Wheatland—Wm. Deakins, Jos. Dawson. Macon—Rev. J. W. Cecil, Benj. Hight, Long Creek—Milton Clark, James P. Nichols. Oakley—Thos. W. Barry, Jas. Jackson, Whitmore—Richard Kirby, Paul Noble, Hickory—Sol. Williamson, Wm. Heilmann. Mexico—John H. Crocker. Warrensburg—Z. Bougan, Geo. Goodner. Hartstown—Rev. Mr. Goode. Friends Creek—D. K. Wilson. Niantic—Thos. A. Pritchett. Blue Mound—J. V. Taylor, F. A. Pleasant View—George Demery. By order of BOARD OF TRUSTEES, Baptist Springs School. Report of Baptist Springs School, for the month ending Dec. 5, 1879: Neither absent nor tardy—Julia. Duly, Dora Good, Louie Good, Libbie Trimmer, Emma Lewis. Absent and excused—Grant Trimmer. Tardy—Willie Lehman. Whole number enrolled, 21. Daily average attendance, 15.01. E. E. Lowry, Teacher.

### EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of ELMOR B. STERRETT, dec'd. PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all persons having claims and demands against the estate of Elmor B. Sterrett, deceased, to present the same for adjudication and settlement at a regular term of the County Court of Macon County, to be holden at the Court House, in the city of Decatur, on the third Monday of January, A. D. 1880, being the first day of said term. Decatur, Ill., Nov. 17, A. D. 1879. Nov. 17, d&wtf. DAVID W. STERRETT, Executor.

Call! call! call! Anthracite and Bituminous. Sole agent for the sale of Delaware and Hudson Canal Co.'s Lackawanna Coal; also agent for sale of Cumberland and Blossburg Coal. Orders left with Ashby & Andrews, V. H. Park, Clay Dempsey's cigar store, or by mail promptly attended to. Yard and office adjoining Decatur Furniture Factory. Sept. 6-d&wtf.

Just Received, a large and elegant assortment of Cloaks and Dolmans, at lower prices than ever sold at. Nov. 15-d&wtf. LINS & SCRUGGS.

SHILLABARGER'S patent process flour saves one-half the labor in baking, and will make more bread to the pound than any other flour ever sold here. Dec. 18-d&wtf.

We certainly have the most complete line of novelties and all other goods in our line suitable for presents you ever saw. We have given unusual attention to a Christmas line of goods this year. Call in and look at our stock and get our prices. Dec. 10-d&wtf. CURTIS & EWING.

JOHN BILLINGS: If you can't get fine shaws and a good education git the shaws at the popular shaw store of L. L. FERRIS. July 19-d&wtf. LINS & SCRUGGS.

Price, color and quality of all the goods we sell, but from this date will take no goods back because the purchaser makes a mistake; as goods are always more or less damaged, and remnants always contain tailors that cannot be borne on account of the very small profits. July 19-d&wtf. LINS & SCRUGGS.

## OVERCOATS FOR MEN!

**Boys' Overcoats!**  
**Young Men's Overcoats!**  
**Little Fellows' Overcoats!**  
**Moreover-Coats!**  
—JUST RECEIVED AT—  
**B. STINE'S,**  
THE "BOSS CLOTHIER."

**OUR OVERCOATS TAKE LIKE WILD-FIRE.**  
—ASK FOR THE—  
**"EYE-OPENER!"**  
Our \$6.00 Overcoats.  
The \$8.50 Boss Chinchilla Overcoat,  
**"OUR DAISY!"**  
Our \$10 Overcoat!  
BEATS THEM ALL!  
Everybody takes him, Our  
**\$12.00 ALL-WOOL BEAVER OVERCOAT.**  
Young men, as well as old, make love to our  
**\$15, \$18, \$20 AND \$25 OVERCOATS**  
—AND—  
**ULSTERS.**  
They embrace the fine opportunity, are wrapped up in their beauty, and finally wrapped themselves up in them.



—TO MAKE THE MATTER SHORT,  
**B. STINE, the Boss Clothier,**  
CAN SHOW YOU THE BEST ASSORTMENT OF  
**OVERCOATS!**  
New Styles, Richer Designs, Suit, Fit, and please you better, and at LOWER PRICES THAN ANY HOUSE IN DECATUR. Try him.  
November 25, 1879-d&wtf. B. STINE, THE "BOSS CLOTHIER."



The City Railway, Chicago, works 4,760 horses. Read what Supt. SQUIRES has to say:  
**We use exclusively Whittier's Liniment. It will pay all owners of horses to call or write.**  
**M. W. SQUIRES, Supt. C. C. R. Co.**  
The Express Company work 370 horses. Read what Supt. KNIGHT has to say:  
**I have been using Liniment on the horses of the American and U. S. Express Co.'s stables for 24 years. I never met any that had one-tenth the merit of Whittier's Liniment. Our stables are open; call and see for yourselves.**  
**H. KNIGHT, Supt. U. S. E. Co.**

Read what Graves & Lomis, the largest breeders of horses in the State of Illinois, have to say:  
**For thirty years we have been using all kinds of liniment manufactured for horses, and, of all the liniments, Whittier's stands at the head of the list for Scratches, Greased Heel, Sprains, Galled Spots, and Sores of any kind. It will give all horsemen satisfaction.**  
**GRAVES & LOMIS.**  
[Scratches, Greased Heel, Thrush, Galled Spots from any cause, heal up in from two to three applications, and you can work the horse every day, and you can cure him at the same time. It will take out all inflammation in a few moments.

There is no remedy on earth that equals Whittier's Liniment for  
**RHEUMATISM.**  
It will have the same effect upon the human. Piles, Scrofula, Scald Head, Catarrh, Pimples or Blotches on Face or Body, Old Sores or Fresh Cuts.  
**PRICE 50 CENTS AND \$1.00 A BOTTLE.**  
**DR. S. WHITTIER,**  
204 East Washington St., Chicago, Ill.  
Nov. 13-d&wtf.

For Sale Cheap. A house and lot on corner of N. Church and Green streets—7 rooms, well and cistern—6 blocks from P. O. For terms, apply to Dec. 2-dtf. F. B. TAIT.

MONEY TO LOAN at 8 per cent. on farms. Notes payable at Decatur. Oct. 31-d&wtf. J. M. CROCKY.

D. B. Shotgun, genuine twist barrel, walnut stock, B. A. Swivel Locks, at \$13; also common double guns for \$7.50, at aug 27-dtf. H. MUELLER & Co.'s.

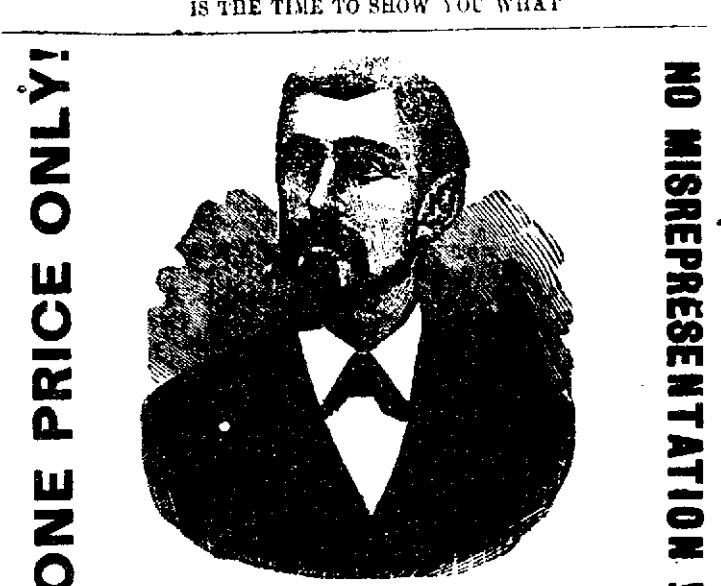
If you want the best and cheapest hosiery and gloves, go to may 10-d&wtf. LINS & SCRUGGS.

Mrs. Grindol, at her boarding house No. 11 West Main street, can furnish boarding and rooms by the day or week for a few more boarders; fare good, and price very reasonable. March 5-dtf.

JOHN BILLINGS: If you can't get fine shaws and a good education git the shaws at the popular shaw store of L. L. FERRIS. 22-d&wtf.

## NOW OR NEVER!

IS THE TIME TO SHOW YOU WHAT



## "Cheap Charley" CAN DO!

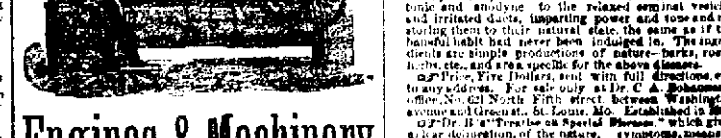
REMEMBER FARM PRODUCE HAS GONE UP, AND SO HAS CLOTHING.  
But as we manufacture our own goods, and in order to have them ready in time, we manufacture Winter Goods in summer, and Summer Goods in winter, we had to buy our woolsens early, before any one thought of a rise; this, together with our buying in such large quantities for our many stores, and all for cash, to make the discount, we are, without hesitating, able to SELL IN RETAIL AT PRICES WHICH OTHER DEALERS HAVE TO PAY FOR GOODS, even if they go with cash in the market. WE WILL NOT RAISE THE PRICE OF OUR GOODS.  
Our Goods are Warranted as Represented, and can be returned (if not soiled) if not satisfactory.  
The price of a couple bushels of wheat, or a few bushels of corn, will buy the OVERCOAT to keep you warm; the price of a hog will buy the Sunday-go-to-meeting suit.



**KAUFMANN & BACHRACH**  
Manufacturers of  
**MEN'S AND BOYS' Clothing!**  
Dealers in  
Goods for Men's Wear.  
Cor. East Main & Water Sts.,  
DECATUR.  
Factory—Chicago, Illinois  
Nov. 3-d&wtf.

## PLUMBING!

'Gas and Steam Fitting,  
And Repairing of



**Engines & Machinery**  
OF ALL KINDS.  
Having recently added some of the best and most improved machinery to our shop, we claim to have the best facilities for doing work in our line in Central Illinois. Call and get estimates before going elsewhere.

**ALL WORK WARRANTED TO GIVE SATISFACTION.**  
**H. MUELLER & CO.,**  
Cor. E. Main and State Sts.,  
Decatur, Illinois.  
July 3, 1879-dtf.

**BANKING HOUSE**  
PEDDECOR, BURROWS & CO.,  
JANUARY 1, 1879.

**MONEY TO LOAN**  
IN VARIOUS SUMS ON THE  
Most Favorable Terms,  
Secured by Mortgage on Real Estate.  
We keep a supply of  
**GOVERNMENT BONDS!**  
On hand at all times, which we will sell at the  
**LOWEST MARKET RATES.**  
A general Banking Business transacted, but no interest paid on deposits.

**ESTRAY NOTICE.**  
TAKEN UP BY FREDERICK KATES AT his residence in the town of South Wheatland in the county of Macon and State of Illinois, on the 4th day of November, A. D. 1879, an ESTRAY COLORED, described as follows: Sorrel mare color, with two hind feet white and blaze in forehead, two years old; no other marks. Appraised at \$25.  
H. W. WAGGONER, County Clerk.  
Dec. 18-d&wtf.

**J. P. JOHNSON,**  
Veterinary Surgeon and Horse Farrier,  
offers his services to the public to doctor horses for all diseases. Thirty years practical. Calls left at W. C. Armstrong's drug store will receive my prompt attention.  
Residence, No. 40 West Main Street, Decatur, Ill.

If you want mill feed, corn or oats, you can be supplied at  
Dec. 18-d&wtf.







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ON NOTICE.

# The Daily Republican.

FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 12, 1879.

## CITY DEPARTMENT.

Hottel presents holiday presents till you can't rest at E. D. Bartholomew & Co's store in opera block.

Cold weather.  
No public gathering to-night.  
The grand jury is still in session.  
Be sure to read Curtis & Ewing's Holiday Notice.

A BRIEF session of the circuit court was held last night.  
Crews Zig zag tobacco, clear Kentucky white filler ditto  
Quart on toast at Delmonico restaurant 31st  
Found a lady's fur collar (Call on D. Sipe, West Main street.)

New and nobby designs in New Year's cards just received at this office.  
Call at Pratt's, 37 N. Church street, for all holiday goods (10-12w)  
Smoked's art, largest stock in Decatur, at J. T. Hand & Co's. 8-10d25

SOMETHING new, stylish and pretty in the line of New Year Calling Cards, at J. T. Hand & Co's Book and Music Store. 8-10d25

Don't forget F. W. Niedermeyer, on the mound, when in need of family groceries.

A fine assortment of hair, tooth and nail brushes, at J. T. Hubbard's drug store, opposite the post office. 12-12w

Box papers, calling cards, &c., &c., at J. T. Hand & Co's. 8-10d25

Call at Schroeder's, in post office block, for first class hand made cigars.

This interest still prevails in the meetings at the Church of God Service to-night at 7 p.m. All are welcome.

An endless variety of fashionable hosiery goods just received at Miss A. Miller.

For cheaply to give your stilling Rheumatic neighbor a bottle of St. James Oil.

Buy new papers and house furnishing goods at your own prices at Abel & Locke.

First time in Decatur Spine Prices ever brought to this city on the sea and bought cheap at C. B. Pratt's City Music Store. (10-12w)

These novel camp chairs, rattan chairs and tents, lockers, at Abby & Arden's, in opera block, are perfect beauties, and at astonishingly low prices.

Dec 10-12w  
Order coal by telephone from Edward Martin's yard from Penniwell's grocery store in opera block. Dec 12w

Don't select Christmas presents until you have seen Curtis & Ewing's Elegant Line of Goods. Dec 10d51

It will pay you to visit the great sale of remnants of dress goods at the Popular New York Store. 11-d&wtf

An elegant line of box paper and stationery at J. T. Hubbard's drug store, opposite post office. 12-12w

Perky of Turkey and Chickens for the Holidays. Leave your order early with E. B. Pratt, 37 North Church street. 10-12w

"Street Life in Europe" is the subject of Wendell Phillips' lecture at the opera house Saturday evening Dec. 20. Secure seats at Curtis & Ewing's. ditto

The best assortment of Catholic Prayer Books ever shown in the city just received at J. T. Hand & Co's, from the cheapest to the best. Call and examine. 8-10d25

There is nothing that will make a finer present for Christmas than a fine Bible, and J. T. Hand & Co have the best assortment ever offered in Decatur. 8-10d25

OPERA GLASSES, in all styles, at W. W. Souder's, jeweler, southeast corner of Prairie and Merchants—opposite post office. Dec 10-d&wtf

IMMENSE reduction in cloaks and shawls from now until Holidays, to close out, at the Popular New York Store. (11-d&wtf)

For season for coughs and colds is now on hand. Dr. Marshall's Lung Syrup is the greatest specific of the day. Call at the drug store and try it. Price 25 cents, 50 cents and \$1 a bottle. Sold by Decatur druggists. 8-d&wtf

YOUNG GENTLEMEN, call and see the assortment of fine shoes at Barber & Baker's before you buy. Nov. 26-d&wtf

WANTED—Second hand furniture and stoves, new goods at the lowest price, regardless of the advance. All goods warranted as represented or money refunded. E. Houston. 10-11d

WANTED—About North Church street, 200 lbs of good wood, in exchange for goods. Also grain and produce of all kinds taken. (10-12w)

Not one, in endless variety, at the Popular New York Store. 11-d&wtf

Wanted's, Lundborg's and Lublin's Petticoats, at J. T. Hubbard's drug store, opposite post office. (12-12w)

Toys and Christmas Goods at the Cheap Store. Dec 12-d&wtf

Every one should see the handsome ring at Curtis & Ewing's jewelry store. Dec 10-12w

ASHLEY & ANDREWS, in opera block, have just received the finest lot of center table covers displayed in Decatur. (10-12w)

MERINO underwear, and ladies' and misses' cashmere wool hose, greatly reduced to close out, at the 11-d&wtf

For good butter, or good fine groceries, Pratt's is the place. (10-12w)

EVERYBODY look and satisfy themselves that they can get better bargains in boots and shoes at Barber & Baker's. Nov. 26-d&wtf

ONK from next Saturday evening the Hon. Wendell Phillips, one of the most gifted orators of the American rostrum, will deliver his popular lecture on "Street Life in Europe," at the opera house in this city, under the auspices of St. John's Episcopal Church. On that occasion we confidently expect to see every seat in the hall occupied. It will be one of the finest literary treats ever presented in Decatur. His reputation as a great orator and agitator, is world-wide, and everybody should hear him. General admission, 50 cents; gallery, 25 cents; reserved seats, 75 cents—now on sale at Curtis & Ewing's. 11-12d

THE month of February has five Sundays and twenty-nine days—the month coming in on Sunday. Coal, wood and "jile" will have to suffer in that month in households where marriageable daughters abound. It is stated that the occurrence of five Sundays in February will not take place again until the year 1946.

NEXT comes the fair and festival to be given by the Jones Chapel folks at the tabernacle Tuesday evening, Dec. 16th; then the fair and festival by the ladies of the Presbyterian congregation at the same place on Friday evening, Dec. 19th; Mrs. Lou C. Gregory Dec. 23, and on the evening of the 24th commences the week's festival to be given by the temperance people.

LET it be remembered that the ladies of Jones' Chapel and vicinity will give a grand fair and festival at the tabernacle during the day and evening of Dec. 16th. The Decatur brass band has been engaged for the occasion. The following is the committee of arrangements: Mrs. Harry Baker, Mrs. J. M. Stookey, Mrs. A. Waite, Mrs. Wm. Penniwell, Mrs. Bishop and Mrs. John W. Haworth. The proceeds of the affair will be used in relieving the chapel indebtedness, and all are cordially invited to attend. ditto

THE Moultrie county agricultural board has just been organized with a capital stock of \$2,000. The incorporators are G. W. Vaughn, Dock Patterson, C. A. Sargent and J. E. Eden.

THEY all smoke them—Osmer's "Morning Glory" cigars.

EVERY one says, "What can we find as a suitable present for a gentleman?" Step into Curtis & Ewing's jewelry store and see. They have the most complete line of just such goods you could hope to find in a day's travel. Dec 11-d&wtf

THAT was a booming masquerade ball—the first of the season—given by Eldorado Hose Co. No. 2, at their hose house last night. A smashing crowd was in attendance, and everything passed off very pleasantly. Music by Professor Leonard's Italian band.

ELEGANT Florence sets, at J. T. Hubbard's Drug Store, opposite post office. Dec 12-12w

FULL line of pure drugs always in stock at W. C. Armstrong's drug store near the old square.

THE Union depot skating rink is in good condition, and Chief Dodson extends an invitation to all the boys grown old to come down and take a slide.

ONE of the main features of the Presbyterian sale and lunch, to be given at the tabernacle on the evening of the 19th instant, will be a grand display of hand-somely dressed dolls of all sizes that have been procured by the ladies, as suitable for holiday presents. 12 dtd

THE St. Charles bridge, recently damaged by the use of water in the Missouri river, has been completely reconstructed, and all trains west of the Mississippi river are now running through between St. Louis and the northern termini without change or delay.

NICE fresh Bulk Oysters, 35 cents per quart, at Wood's. Dec 13-d1w

THE "Problem of Life" at present with Stookey & Co., at the City Book Store, is, "How can we make room to display our immense stock of Holiday goods?" They are offering bargains in order to get room for more that are coming. 10-12d&wtf

YOU can make a magnificent selection of carpets at Abel & Locke's.

TWENTY two persons from Maioa came down this morning to testify in a lawsuit in the circuit court. The trial was put off until next Monday.

THE favorite "Prescription" cigar of J. T. Hubbard's is the leading cigar in the city—opposite the post office. 12-12w

REMEMBER B. F. Taylor's comfortable carriage when you want to go to the depot.

BUY Bergman's Zephyrs of Linn & Scruggs, and you will get much better zephyrs and one third more in weight than anywhere else. (Dec. 4-d&wtf)

Wool, delivered in large or small quantities, at Pratt's, 37 N. Church street. 10-12w

STEEP in at J. T. Hand & Co's store, in post office block, and order coal through the telephone to McClelland's coal yard. Nov. 21-d1w

York State Buckwheat Flour and Maple Sugar, at E. B. Pratt's, 37 North Church street. (Dec. 10-12w)

Toys, games, pictures and everything you want for Christmas, at J. T. Hand & Co's. 8-dto25

Watches and Jewelry.

A LARGE invoice of watches, clocks and jewelry, just received. These goods are carefully selected from the best and latest styles. All goods warranted as represented or money refunded. Prices as low as the lowest for first-class goods.

W. W. SCHUBER, Opp. P. O., with J. T. Hubbard, druggist. Dec 3-d&wtf

THE Comfort Patent Corset—Bortree's Adjustable, Foy's Supporter, Moody's Abdominal, Glove Fitting, Hundred Bones, together with the best and cheapest French Corsets in the city, at Jan. 25-d&wtf Linn & Scruggs.

County Good Templars.  
The semi-annual meeting of the Macon county lodge of Good Templars was held in the hall of Decatur Lodge No. 363, yesterday and last evening. There are four lodges in the county in good working order—namely, Decatur Lodge, Progressive Lodge, Natick Lodge and Blue Mound Lodge, and two others, one at Macon, and another at Macon, that need reviving. Four lodges were well represented and renewed interest in the work reported. Last evening Uriah Copp, Jr., Grand Chief Templar of Illinois, presided, and led off in the interesting discussion of lodge extension. It was one of the best sessions the county lodge has yet experienced, and all felt encouraged to renew their efforts to "reclaim the fallen and save others from falling." The lodge adjourned to meet in special session on the second Thursday in March, 1880.

Watkins-Kauks.  
A very quiet wedding took place on last evening, (Dec. 11th), at 7 o'clock, at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Sarah E. Hanks, on West North street. Mr. John C. Watkins, a young farmer of this county, residing near Warrensburg, and Miss Maggie A. Hanks were joined together in the holy bonds of matrimony according to the laws of the great state of Illinois, by Dr. Ira B. Curtis, Justice of the Peace. The ceremony was witnessed only by the near neighbors, and a bountiful supper was served. Mr. and Mrs. Watkins will go to farming immediately.

Fair and Festival Solliciting Committees.  
The following are the names of the solliciting committees for the temperance fair and festival to be held during the holidays:

First Ward—Mrs. Moses Stafford, Mrs. David S. Shellabarger, Mrs. W. C. Pitzer, Mrs. George Haworth, Mrs. James Holiday, Mrs. Dr. Sparks, Mrs. I. J. Halsted and Josie Shea.

Second Ward—Mrs. David Reeme, Mrs. Joseph Ehrhart, Mrs. Benj. J. Dill, and Mrs. M. A. Melville.

Third Ward—Mrs. W. H. Addis, Mrs. F. J. Wood, Mrs. Rod Spencer, Mrs. James Derritt and Mrs. J. H. Brayton.

Fourth Ward—Mrs. Henry Stafford, Mrs. Etta Montgomery, Mrs. J. W. Weigand and Mrs. B. McGorray.

Fifth Ward—Mrs. Fred. M. Cox, Mrs. Win. Gibson, Mrs. E. S. McCarty and Mrs. N. A. White.

The committees will meet at the Priest House, Thursday, Dec. 19th, at 5 p. m.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Judge C. B. Smith departed for home at noon.

L. Burrows, the baker, left for the east to-day.

Miss Ida Jones arrived home this noon from a prolonged visit to friends at Denver, Colorado.

Mrs. Charles Cunningham, of Chicago, formerly of this city, is here on a visit to her parents and friends.

Virgil N. Hostetter, who is teaching school at "Nip Tight," gave us a call this morning.

City Register Hardy looks like a newly elected congressman in that new cadly just received from his brother Ed at Bloomington.

Demas A. Barrackman arrived home from Ohio this morning after an absence of seven weeks. He attended Grant's reception at Indianapolis on the 9th.

Capt. George C. Cole, assistant quartermaster 2d brigade I. N. G., of Springfield, was a guest at the St. Nicholas to-day.

D. M. Simmons has been reappointed postmaster of Jacksonville, a position he has filled for a number of years with pretty general satisfaction to the public.

George Patterson's impersonation of William Penn, at the tabernacle last night, was the envy of C. P. Housum, George Simpson and a hundred others, who couldn't tell for the life of them who that Quakerish-looking fellow was.

Fred. I. Dean, known to many of our citizens as the inventor of a fire-proof paint for roofs, has located in Springfield, and has been elected corresponding secretary of the reform club at that place.

F. M. Leforgee, the retired photographer, will not go to California with his family as stated recently. He is going to Florida, where he will engage in the saw-mill business.

Uriah Copp, Jr., G. W. C. T. of Illinois, was sheltered beneath the roof of Priest's Hotel last night, and took his departure for Wapella, Ill., on the early train this morning to attend a county lodge meeting there.

R. E. Andrews and H. E. Kent, of Macon, were in the city last evening, and attended the old folks' concert at the tabernacle. Yesterday afternoon Mr. Andrews called and ordered the REPUBLICAN sent to his address during the winter months.

For Sale Cheap.  
A lot of iron bound barrels, double barrels, and large caeks, for pickling purposes. J. ULLICH

A General Reduction.  
Shawls in a variety of styles and qualities, all new patterns, and fresh goods, at cost and carriage. Cause, too large a stock of them. Come and see. Dec. 12-d&wtf

ROYAL TEMPLARS OF TEMPERANCE.  
Regular meeting this (Friday) evening at 7 o'clock, in the Ionic lodge rooms. Organization of a Grand Council to be voted upon. All active members should attend. L. L. HAWORTH, S. C. L. C. SHEA, Sec.

DIARIES for 1880.—Large variety, embracing all grades from cheap to very fine, at J. M. Stookey & Co's. Dec. 10-d&wtf

Don't Fail.  
To see our CLOAKS; they are really the cheapest of anything in the cloak line ever offered here. Just received a fresh invoice, and have marked them so low that they are within the reach of everybody. Our rule—small profits—applies more particularly to this class of goods. Come in and look and find out our prices. 8-d&wtf

VENISON steaks at Delmonico restaurant. 3d1f

## THE OLD FOLKS AT HOME.

The Grand Old Time Concert and Festival at the Tabernacle—A Large Crowd in Attendance, and the Profits \$175.

The long talked of Old Folks' concert and festival, by the Stapp's Chapel Social Union, took place at the tabernacle last evening, and that the affair was a decided social and financial success, no one present will for a moment question. The Union numbers over 100 members, and many of the following named persons who participated in the concert and assisted at the refreshment, candy and flower tables, appeared in the quaint modernized costumes of yesteryear—100 years ago or thereabouts. Mrs. James C. Lake, Fannie Shellabarger, Nettie Bowers, Mrs. Isaac Shellabarger, Mrs. John Henkle, Mrs. W. W. Foster, Mrs. Cook, Jennie Stare, Jennie Fortmyer, Nona Gibson, Lou Martin, Jennie Millburn, Lena Henkle, Priscilla Millburn, Emma Penniwell, Della Shellabarger, Cora King, Alice Priest, Stella Mills, Anna Kramer, Lucy Scholl, Willie Brooks, Louie McKenzie, Mrs. John King, Ed. Grunndick, George Patterson, Mrs. James Holiday, Ella Gibson, D. S. Shellabarger, Mrs. John Shellabarger, Emma Millsbaugh, Will Stevenson, Dr. A. S. Walz, John Smith, Aaron Carmany, Ed. Barnett, and many others whose names were unable to obtain.

The concert was advertised to begin promptly at 7.30, but it did not commence until an hour later, and many in attendance whose memory ran back nearly a century, took occasion to remark that our grandparents didn't keep folks waiting like that—they were always on time.

The following is the programme as carried out:

"Auld Lang Syne"—All ye men and women (meaning the choir), led by Mr. Wm. Bowers, with Miss Alida Handy at the organ.

"Invitation" and "Sherburne"—All ye old folks.

Recitation—"The Church Organ," by Priscilla Snooks, (Miss Flo a Race)

"Last Rose of Summer"—By Patience Primrose, (Mrs. James C. Lake).

"Strike ye Cymbal"—By all ye people.

"A two part Worldie Tune"—By Matilda and Jerusha Stebbins, twin sisters, (Mrs. J. C. Lake and Miss Fannie Shellabarger), with organ accompaniment by Maria, (Miss Nettie Bowers)

"Select Reading"—By Obadiah Bump, (Mr. John H. Brayton).

"David's Lamentation"—By Joyful Hornflower and Trustworthy Stargood, (Hon. A. Brower Bunn and Mr. William Bowers)

"Ditty"—"Coming Through the Rye," by Miranda Skinner, (Miss Fannie Shellabarger)

Bann and Bowers won a hearty encore, and responded by sounding the notes of a quaint song in a manner that provoked great laughter and applause.

After the concert the company mingled together in a social way and partook of the refreshments offered for sale. The number in attendance was so large that we will not attempt to give a list of those present. Suffice it to say that families from nearly every congregation in the city and many out of the fold, were present. It was the universal expression that the occasion was one of real enjoyment.

The net proceeds will be about \$175.

Kid gloves.

A dry goods house in this city, which has had the usual trouble as to the quality of kid gloves sold by them, recently sent back to the New York wholesale house from which they were bought several pairs which had been returned by their customers as damaged. The New York house sent the following reply, which is published for the benefit of "whom it may concern."

Your favor of the 10th at hand, as well as goods returned. We have complied with your request, and send you in exchange sizes 6, 8 and 7, in black four buttons, which will, we trust, be satisfactory. In relation to the damaged gloves returned, we have examined them all carefully, and while we exchange all of them, sending you five pairs in their stead, we return two pair of them, so that you may see it is not altogether the fault of the gloves. We think that four pair of those returned have been abused by your customers very badly, and have, of course, torn, but this should not condemn them. It is a fact beyond question that women abuse gloves shamefully, and while this is not your fault, it certainly is not ours, and is generally laid to the glove. We have been, and shall continue to be, very careful in selecting your goods, and trust those sent you to-day will prove entirely satisfactory.

The Chicago Evening Journal.

The prospectus of this splendid paper will be found in another column. The Journal is the oldest paper in Chicago, as well as one of the best. Not sensational, believing not in that peculiar sort of management which some publishers misname "enterprise," the Journal is emphatically "the old reliable," and is such a paper as no man need hesitate to put into the hands of his children. Read the prospectus, subscribe for the Journal (and the REPUBLICAN), heed the precepts taught therein, and you will be happy.

Horses Wanted.

Take notice of the days for buying: Thursday, 14th, Friday, 15th, Saturday, 20th, and Monday, 22nd, at 37 North Church street, Decatur, Ill. Good fat, well-matched carriage and draft teams, or prompt, well broken single drivers, weighing from 1,000 to 1,500 pounds each, from five to ten years old, for which fair prices will be paid in cash.

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100,000 Bushels of Corn Wanted by Linn & Scruggs, for which they will pay two cents a bushel more than the highest market price in merchandise, the corn to be delivered at D. S. Shellabarger & Co's mill. (Nov. 18-d&wtf)

## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Regular Meeting.

OFFICE BOARD OF EDUCATION, DECATUR, ILL., Dec. 11, 1879.

Present—Messrs. Durfee, Ulrich, and clerk.

Minutes of two previous meetings read and approved.

The following bills were allowed and clerk directed to draw orders to pay the same:

A. Bradley, \$35.25; H. Mueller & Co., \$1.50; John Ulrich, \$2.25; Wm. Mann, Philadelphia, \$20; H. W. Rokker, \$12; John Schermerhorn, \$4.00.

The Supt. was authorized to purchase matting for the office. Also to purchase a clock for the second ward and class books for all the schools.

Treasurer's reports for the months of October and November read, compared and approved.

Supt's report of the receipts and expenditures of the tuition fund for the month of November read, compared and approved.

On motion adjourned.

H. B. DURFEE, Pres't  
E. A. GASTMAN, Clerk.

Santa Claus' Headquarters.

The Christmas time is almost here, and the children are already dreaming every night of the "lots of nice things" that Santa Claus will bring them. And, speaking of Santa Claus reminds us that his headquarters this year will be at the mammoth store of R. Liddle in court house block, where may be found such a collection of holiday goods as Decatur has never seen before. Nobody in this region of country knows better than Mr. Liddle how to select that kind of goods, as anybody will be convinced by looking over his stock. Read his advertisement in today's paper.

Optician of Celebrated Dr. Wm. H. Stokes, Physician, Mt. Hope Retreat, Baltimore

"I have great pleasure in adding my testimony to the virtues of Golden's Liebig Liquid Extract of Beef and Tongue (Ligivator) as the very best preparation used for depression, weakness and indigestion, and therefore confidently recommend it to the medical profession."

Sold by druggist.  
Dec. 12-d&wtf

1,200 yards of dress goods in remnants, various lengths and all qualities, this season's goods, selling out at real bargains, at the Popular New York Store.

11-d&wtf

This is probably your last chance to buy prints, skiftings, gingham and all domestic goods at last year's prices. Call at once to get the great advantage of this offer at the Popular New York Store.

11-d&wtf

53 pairs of beautiful bed blankets, slightly soiled, closing out at great bargains, at the

11-d&wtf

POPULAR N. Y. STORE.

Christmas Gift.

Pre-cut, the Boss Music Dealer, is selling from six to ten instruments per week. Now is the time to get one at a bargain.

10-12w

Macon County Agricultural Board.

There will be a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Macon County Agricultural Board, on Monday, Dec. 15, 1879, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the court house, for the transaction of important business. By order.

J. R. MILLER, Pres't

M. B. THOMAS, Sec.

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